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Dear Professor Gabrynowicz:

I am very pleased to inform you that the Advisory Committee of the National Satellite Land Remote Sensing Data Archive (NSLRSDA) has been named the recipient of the Midwest Archives Conference's President's Award for 2003. The Midwest Archives Conference (MAC) is the largest regional archival organization in the United States. It's 1,100 members come from twelve states. The President's Award is given annually to individuals who are not employed as archivists but who have given exemplary support to the cause of archives. Specifically the President's Award Committee was extremely impressed by not only the Advisory Committee's tireless efforts on behalf of the archive which have led to multiple benefits in terms of preservation and access for researchers, but also your leadership, conviction, and commitment during your two terms as chair.

Because of your strong guidance of the Advisory Committee, the President's Award Committee and I hope that you will be able to join us at our Awards Luncheon at MAC's meeting this spring in Kansas City (MO). Because this award demonstrates both to the archival profession and to the general public what can be accomplished to preserve our documentary heritage we very much hope you can receive the award in person on behalf of the Advisory Committee. The luncheon will be held on Friday, April 25, beginning at 12:15 pm, in the Hyatt Regency Crown Center.

Please contact me at your earliest convenience regarding your (and your guests) attendance so that I can be sure to make the necessary arrangements, and of course please call or write with any other questions you might have. You may reach me by writing the Minnesota Historical Society, 345 Kellogg Blvd. W., St. Paul, MN 55102-1903; E-mail: cheri.thies@mnhs.org; or calling (651) 296-1082. I very much look forward to meeting you in Kansas City.

Sincerely,

Cheri Thies
MAC President